# TITLE 18 - STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

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The State Board of Equalization proposes to adopt Regulations 8000 through 8016 in Title 18, Division 2.3, Article 1 of the California Code of Regulations. A public hearing on the proposed regulations will be held in Room 121, 450 N Street, Sacramento, at 1:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, on Wednesday, September 13, 2000. At the hearing, any person interested may present statements or arguments orally or in writing relevant to the proposed regulatory action. The Board will consider written statements or arguments if received by Wednesday, September 13, 2000.

## INFORMATIVE DIGEST/PLAIN ENGLISH POLICY STATEMENT OVERVIEW

Senate Bill 2174 (Rainey), Chapter 1049, Statutes of 1998, added Government Code section 15652 providing that the Board shall adopt regulations to establish procedures and guidelines that facilitate maximum access to records that pertain to the tax and fee programs administered by the Board. Proposed Regulations 8000 through 8016 have been drafted to comply with the statutory requirement set forth in section 15652.

Proposed Regulations 8000 through 8016 list the types of records that are currently available at the Board and the manner in which those records may be requested.

The express terms of the proposed action, written in plain English, are available from the agency contact person named in this notice.

## COST TO LOCAL AGENCIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS

The State Board of Equalization has determined that the proposed regulations do not impose a mandate on local agencies or school districts. Further, the Board has determined that the regulations will result in no direct or indirect cost or savings to any State agency, any local agency or school district that is required to be reimbursed under Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division 4 of Title 2 of the Government Code or other non-discretionary cost or savings imposed on local agencies, or cost or savings in Federal funding to the State of California.

### EFFECT ON BUSINESS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 11346.5(a)(7), the Board of Equalization finds that the adoption of the proposed regulations will have no significant adverse economic impact on businesses.

The adoption of the proposed regulations will neither create nor eliminate jobs in the State of California nor result in the elimination of existing businesses nor create or expand business in the State of California.

The regulations as proposed will not be detrimental to California businesses in competing with businesses in other states.

The proposed regulations may affect small business.

## POTENTIAL COST IMPACT ON PRIVATE PERSONS/BUSINESSES

No impact

### SIGNIFICANT EFFECT ON HOUSING COSTS

No significant effect.

## FEDERAL REGULATIONS.

Proposed Regulations 8000 through 8016 have no comparable federal regulations.

## PLAIN ENGLISH STATEMENT

Preparation of the proposed regulations included consideration of the "Plain English" requirement. Any technical terms that may be unfamiliar to the intended users, and are not industry recognized, are defined or explained.

## **AUTHORITY**

Government Code Sections 6253 and 15652 authorize the Board to adopt the proposed regulations.

## REFERENCES

Government Code Sections 6250 through 6276.48, 15622, and 69950.

## **CONTACT**

Questions regarding the content of the proposed regulations should be directed to Ms. Ani Kindall at P. O. Box 942879, 450 N Street, MIC: 82, Sacramento, CA 94279-0082, telephone no. (916) 324-2195.

Written comments for the Board's consideration or notice to present testimony and bring witnesses to the public hearing should be directed to Ms. Diane Olson, Regulations Coordinator, (916) 322-9569, at P. O. Box 942879, Sacramento, CA 94279-0080.

### ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED

The Board must determine that no alternative considered would be more effective in carrying out the purpose for which this action is proposed or be as effective and less burdensome to affected private persons than the proposed action.

## AVAILABILITY OF STATEMENT OF REASONS AND TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATIONS

The Board has prepared a statement of reasons and an underscored version (express terms) of the proposed regulations. Both of these documents and all information on which the proposal is based are available to the public upon request. The rulemaking file is available for public inspection at 450 N Street, Sacramento, California. Requests for copies should be addressed to Ms. Diane Olson, Regulations Coordinator, (916) 322-9569, at P. O. Box 942879, Sacramento, CA 94279-0080. The express terms of the proposed regulation are also available on the Internet at the Board's web site <a href="http://www.boe.ca.gov">http://www.boe.ca.gov</a>.

## ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Following the hearing, the State Board of Equalization may in accordance with law adopt the proposed regulations if the text remains substantially the same as described in the text originally made available to the public. If the State Board of Equalization makes modifications with are substantially related to the originally proposed text, the Board will make the modified text, with the changes clearly indicated, available to the public for fifteen days before adoption of the regulation. The text of any modified regulation will be mailed to those interested parties who commented orally or in writing or who asked to be informed of such changes. The modified regulation will be available to the public from Ms. Olson. The Board will consider written comments on the modified regulation for fifteen days after the date on which the modified regulation is made available to the public.

Dated: July 28, 2000

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Judy Newton, Chief, Board Proceedings Division